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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 5 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please substitute the following amended claim(s) for corresponding claim(s) previously presented. A copy of the amended claim(s) showing current revisions is attached.

- 1. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a turbine bucket comprising:
- (a) investment casting the turbine bucket with a single crystal alloy; and

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